s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v396)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 728, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{43}{56}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 728 + 709.02 + 690.54 + 672.54 + 655 + 637.93 + 621.3 + 605.1 + 589.33 + 573.96$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 709.02 + 690.54 + 672.54 + 655 + 637.93 + 621.3 + 605.1 + 589.33 + 573.96 + 559$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 7 + 7(8) + 7(8)^{2} + 7(8)^{3} + \dots + 7(8)^{80} + 7(8)^{81} + 7(8)^{82} + 7(8)^{83}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.